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Sent: 3/27/2019 9:08:10 PM

To: Dunn, Alexandra [dunn.alexandra@epa.gov]

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Subject: RE: deadline 3 PM - Pat Rizutto - PFAS - asking for response to these comments/quote

Thanks.

From: Dunn, Alexandra

Sent: Wednesday, March 27, 2019 5:07 PM **To:** Strauss, Linda < Strauss. Linda@epa.gov>

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Subject: Re: deadline 3 PM - Pat Rizutto - PFAS - asking for response to these comments/quote

This response seems fine to me. Hopefully you can make the editing deadline.

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Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 27, 2019, at 2:12 PM, Strauss, Linda <<u>Strauss.Linda@epa.gov</u>> wrote:

From: Rizzuto, Denise Pat rizzuto@bloombergenvironment.com>

Sent: Wednesday, March 27, 2019 4:05 PM

To: Drinkard, Andrea < Drinkard. Andrea@epa.gov>

Subject: RE: Welcoming EPA's response to these comments/quote

I welcome the comment, but can't guarantee it will be added as I have no idea when you'll send it. At this point the story says the agency did not reply, which is true as of now while editors are still doing their work on it.

From: Strauss, Linda

Sent: Wednesday, March 27, 2019 3:54 PM

To: Dunn, Alexandra <<u>dunn.alexandra@epa.gov</u>>; Beck, Nancy <<u>Beck.Nancy@epa.gov</u>>; Bertrand, Charlotte <<u>Bertrand.Charlotte@epa.gov</u>>; Baptist, Erik <<u>baptist.erik@epa.gov</u>>; Dunton, Cheryl <<u>Dunton.Cheryl@epa.gov</u>>; Altieri, Sonia <<u>Altieri.Sonia@epa.gov</u>>; Tyler, Tom <<u>Tyler.Tom@epa.gov</u>>

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Importance: High

Tata cleared these.

Incoming:

- 1. The organization said it is frustrated that the EPA has not provided information about the new PFAS chemicals it approved in the wake of 3M's phase out of the PFOS chemistry and the voluntary PFOA stewardship program.
- 2. It also is frustrated that the EPA has not used TSCA authorities to collect existing health and safety data from PFAS manufacturers and made that publicly available.
- 3. Finally, an official in that organization said "We feel like the chemical companies are running the EPA right now."
- 1. The organization said it is frustrated that the EPA has not provided information about the new PFAS chemicals it approved in the wake of 3M's phase out of the PFOS chemistry and the voluntary PFOA stewardship program.

EPA has made publicly available information (i.e., non-confidential business information) about new chemicals it has regulated following EPA review via the ChemView database https://chemview.epa.gov/chemview. Specifically, the Agency has provided access to consent orders and SNURs for chemicals that have been reviewed by EPA, including PFAS chemicals which could be substitutes for PFOA.

For PFAS chemicals specifically, the reporter can do a number of searches. For example, under the Chemicals Tab, the reporter can select PFAS List under Chemical Group in the Chemical Information tab and select the types of PFAS chemicals of interest (e.g., TSCA Inventory with Active Designation). Then the reporter can select all in the "Show Output Selection" and hit the "Generate Results" button to see the non-CBI TSCA information the Agency has on PFAS chemicals.

The reporter can also tailor searches by date range, company name, etc. in the Advance Search tab and by searching PFAS under Chemical Category and selecting the desired outputs before hitting "Generate Results." For example, under the Advance Search tab, one could select PFAS under chemical category, and "contains 3M" under company/submitter name and hit select all under outputs, and you get 45 entries.

(We cannot say for certain which of these chemistries are the substitutes that 3M used however.)

2. It also is frustrated that the EPA has not used TSCA authorities to collect existing health and safety data from PFAS manufacturers and made that publicly available.

EPA recognizes the importance of gathering more information on PFAS. In February 2019, EPA released a Per- and Polyflouroalkyl Substances (PFAS) Action Plan to outline our approach to addressing potential environmental concerns with these chemicals. EPA committed in this plan to "Continue to make Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) data available where possible; identify sources, uses, and locations; develop information on potential high-impact locations; work with states to develop consistent sampling protocols."

To the extent data on PFAS chemicals has been submitted to EPA in the form of substantial risk reports (under section 8(e)) or as a result of a test rule (section 4), or via voluntary means (e.g., via the High Production Volume Information System), that information is available in the ChemView database at https://chemview.epa.gov/chemview. For example, the public can search for this information by going to the chemicals tab, selecting "PFAS List" under the Chemical Group drop down in the Chemical Information section, selecting "Data submitted to

EPA" in the "Show Output Selection" and selecting "Generate Results," which will provide information submitted on 135 PFAS substances.

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From: Strauss, Linda

Sent: Wednesday, March 27, 2019 11:11 AM

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Cc: Sauerhage, Maggie < Sauerhage. Maggie@epa.gov >; Dennis, Allison < Dennis. Allison@epa.gov >

Subject: RE: Welcoming EPA's response to these comments/quote

Looing Alison and Hans, can you answer the Q's on 1 &2 and send to me? Thank you!

From: Drinkard, Andrea

Sent: Wednesday, March 27, 2019 11:03 AM

To: Strauss, Linda < Strauss, Linda@epa.gov">Strauss, Linda@epa.gov>

Cc: Sauerhage, Maggie < Sauerhage. Maggie@epa.gov >; Dennis, Allison < Dennis. Allison@epa.gov >

Subject: FW: Welcoming EPA's response to these comments/quote

Linda,

Can you guys draft a statement this? It should be general. I'm also including Christina as she may have something from hearing prep that would be pertinent here.

Thanks and deadline is 3pm, so if you could get me something by 2, I can run it through review up here.

-AD-

From: Rizzuto, Denise Pat <pri>prizzuto@bloombergenvironment.com>

Sent: Wednesday, March 27, 2019 10:59 AM

To: Press <Press@epa.gov>

Subject: Welcoming EPA's response to these comments/quote

I would appreciate EPA's response to and perspective about three points/comments a fire fighters organization made regarding PFAS and new chemicals.

- 1. The organization said it is frustrated that the EPA has not provided information about the new PFAS chemicals it approved in the wake of 3M's phase out of the PFOS chemistry and the voluntary PFOA stewardship program.
- 2. It also is frustrated that the EPA has not used TSCA authorities to collect existing health and safety data from PFAS manufacturers and made that publicly available.
- 3. Finally, an official in that organization said "We feel like the chemical companies are running the EPA right now."

Deadline 3 p.m. today.

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